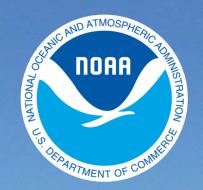
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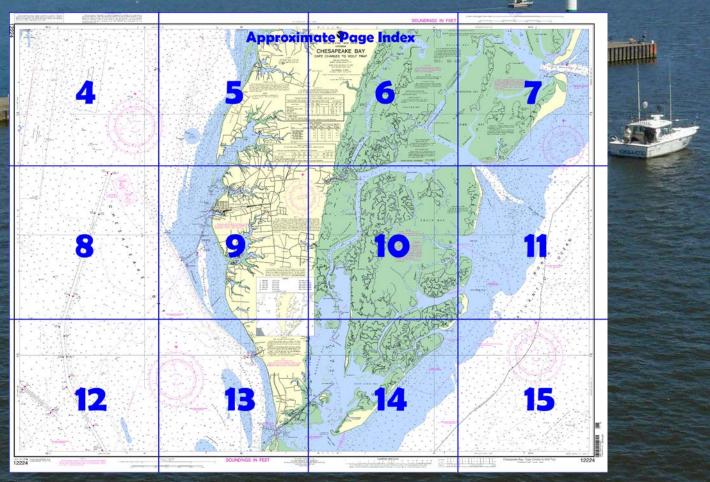
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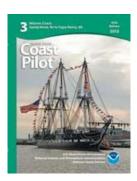
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(Selected Excerpts from Coast Pilot)
Kiptopeke Beach is a former ferry terminal.
The offshore breakwaters are obsolete ships filled with sand and sunk.

Old Plantation Creek has depths of about a foot. Many of the bars and middle grounds are marked by discolored water, and the channel usually is marked by bush stakes, but it is narrow and difficult to navigate without local knowledge.

Old Plantation Flats Light (37°13.8'N., 76°02.8'W.), 39 feet above the water, is

shown from a pile with a black and white diamond-shaped daymark in 11 feet on the north end of the flats 1.5 miles from shore. The current velocity is about 1.3 knots 0.5 mile west of the light.

Cape Charles Harbor is a dredged basin on the south side of the town of Cape Charles. A well-marked dredged channel leads to the harbor on the north. Two small dredged basins are eastward of the main harbor basin. The northerly basin is known as the Harbor of Refuge, and the southerly basin as Mud Creek Basin.

Cape Charles Coast Guard Station is on the spit between Mud Creek and the Harbor of Refuge.

The tidal currents set across the entrance to and across the southwest section of the dredged channel, but farther north they follow the general direction of the axis. The channel is exposed to westerly winds, but is partially protected by the flats to the westward, and seldom is too rough for motorboats; the larger vessels and tows occasionally are a hazard to small boats.

Cape Charles Harbor is a terminus of the Eastern Shore Railroad. Floats are brought into the harbor. Due to the limited maneuvering room, larger vessels and tows are sometimes a hazard to small craft. The tugs that handle the floats monitor VHF-FM channels 13 and 16. There is public access to the bulkheads and slips at the eastern end of the harbor. Anchoring is forbidden in any part of the harbor or the basins. A "no-wake" **speed limit** is enforced. A **harbormaster** enforces harbor regulations, and a **dockmaster** supervises docking at the municipal facilities. Gasoline, diesel fuel, and water are available. Some marine supplies may be obtained in town.

Cherrystone Channel is a passage inside Old Plantation Flats that leads from deep water 2 miles south-southeastward of Old Plantation Flats Light northward to Kings Creek and Cherrystone Inlet. Cherrystone Channel above Cape Charles Harbor is marked by lights and daybeacons to the vicinity of Sandy Island. This part of the channel has depths of 10 feet, but is narrow in places, and local knowledge is required to carry the best water. The recommended southerly approach to Kings Creek and Cherrystone Inlet is via the marked dredged channel to Cape Charles Harbor.

Kings Creek has depths of 3½ feet for 1 mile upstream. The shoal that extends out from the north side of the entrance bares at low water; lights and daybeacons mark the entrance. Gasoline, berths, and marine supplies are available inside the entrance.

Cherrystone Inlet has depths of 5 feet for 2 miles, thence 4 to 2 feet to the upper end. The channel in the inlet sometimes is marked by bush stakes, but it is narrow and difficult to navigate without local knowledge. Boats bound for Kings Creek or Cherrystone Inlet can leave the Cape Charles Harbor channel west of the jetty on the north side of the harbor entrance and proceed in marked Cherrystone Channel. Depths of 2 to 4 feet over the flats limit the draft. The area between Sandy Island and Wescoat Point, 0.3 mile to the northward, bares at low water.

The **danger zone** of a bombing and gunnery range is centered on Myrtle Island, 6 miles northeastward of Cape Charles Light. (See **334.330**, chapter 2, for limits and regulations.)

Caution.—The Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel complex has suffered damage from vessels. In every case, adverse weather prevailed with accompanying strong winds from the northwest quadrant generally related to a frontal system. Weather deterioration in the lower bay is often sudden and violent and constitutes an extreme hazard to vessels operating or anchoring in this area. The proximity of the bridge-tunnel complex to main shipping channels and anchorages adds to the danger. Currents in excess of 3.0 knots can be expected in the area.

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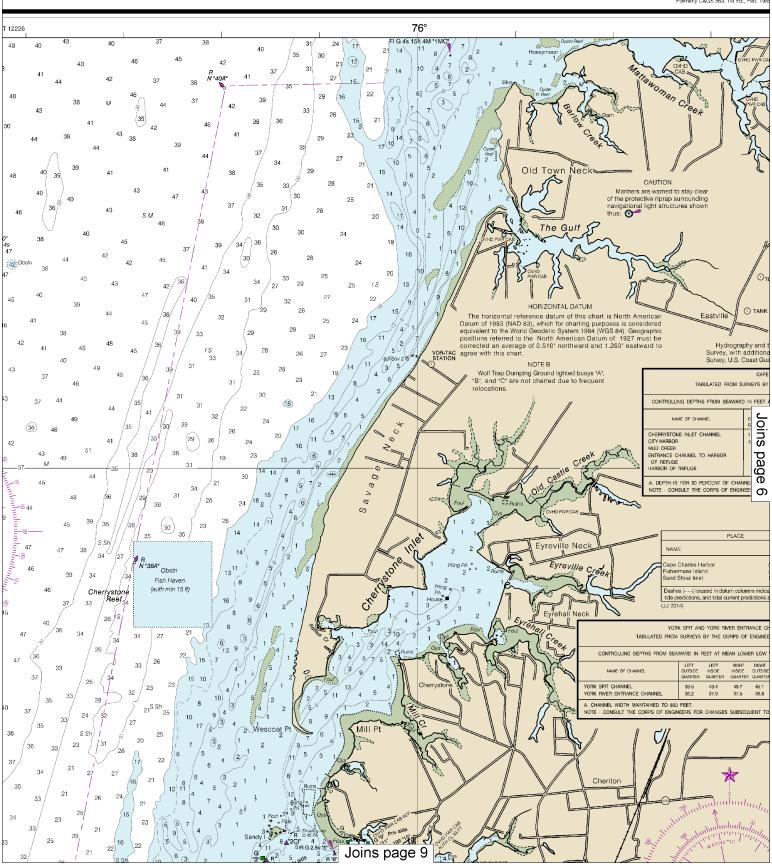
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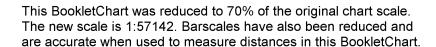
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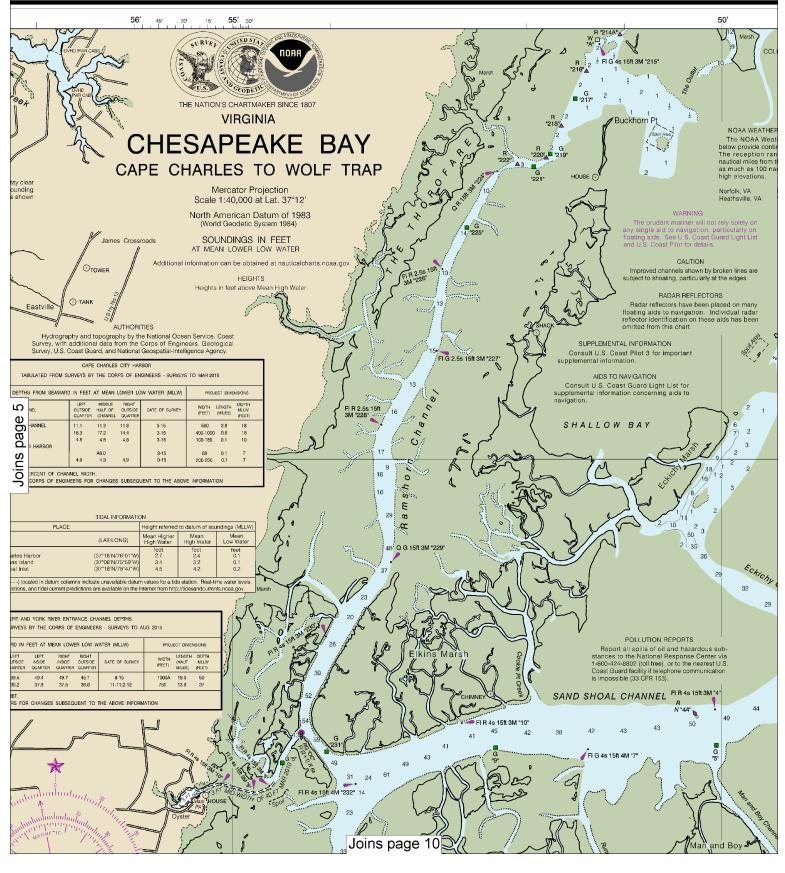




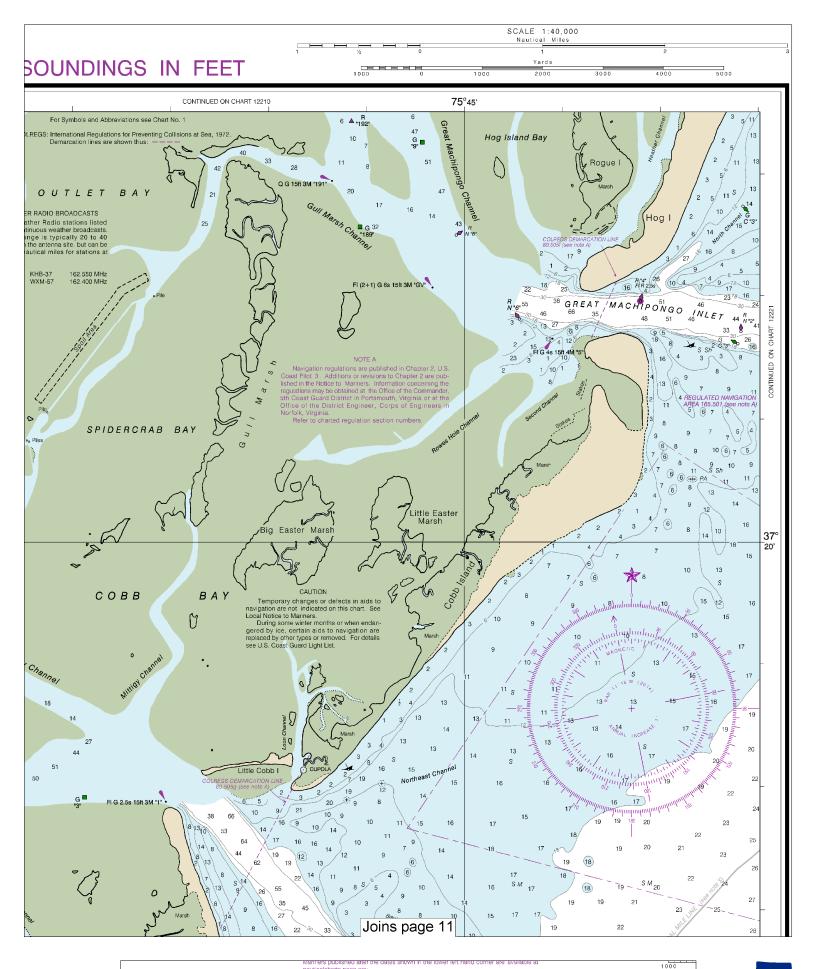


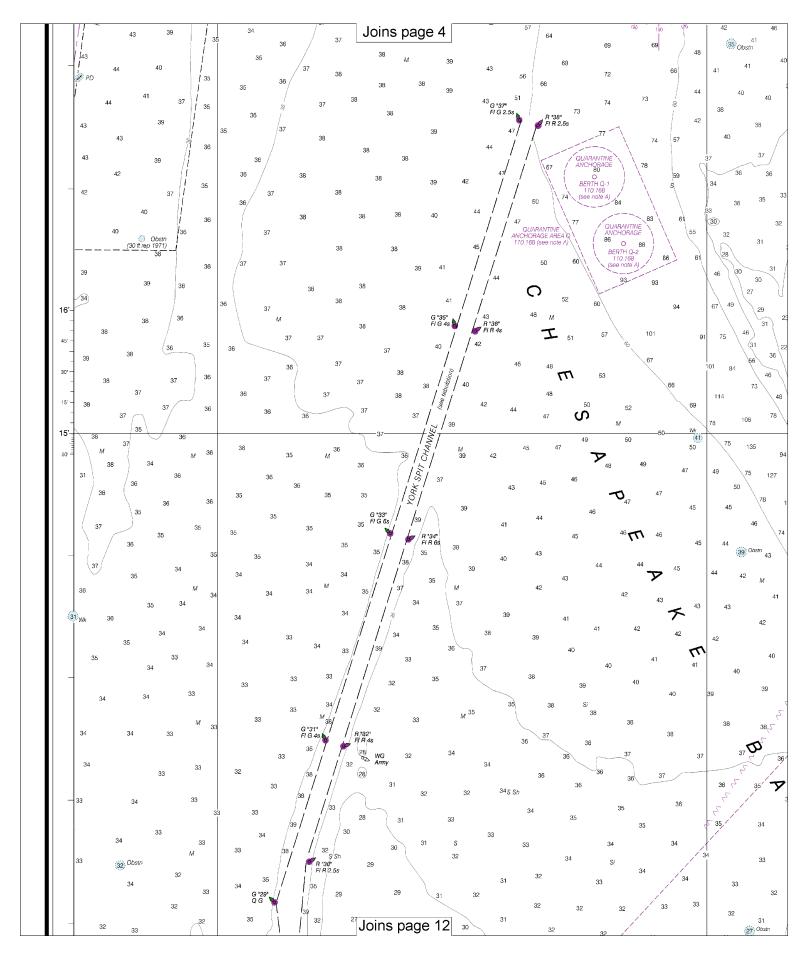






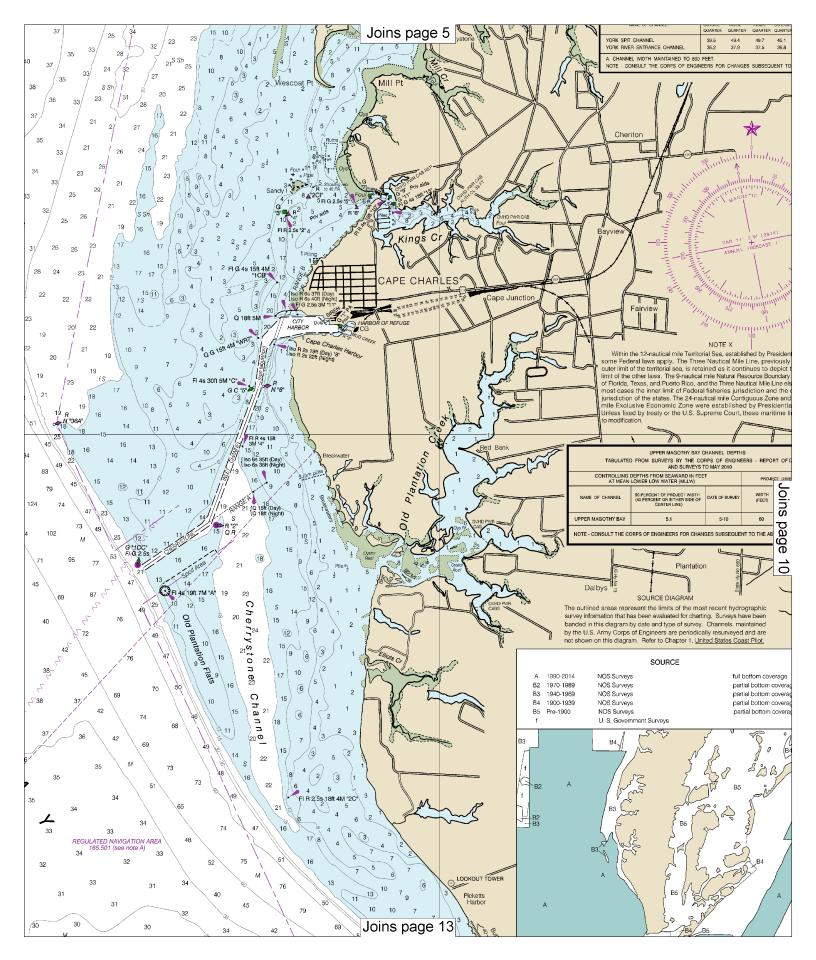
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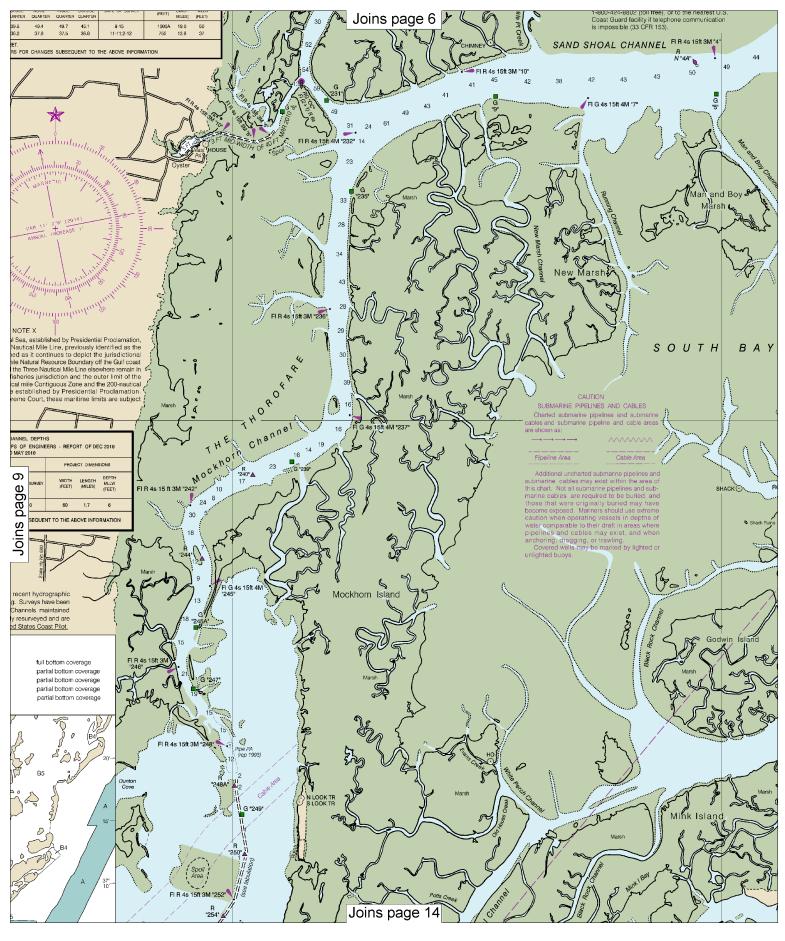




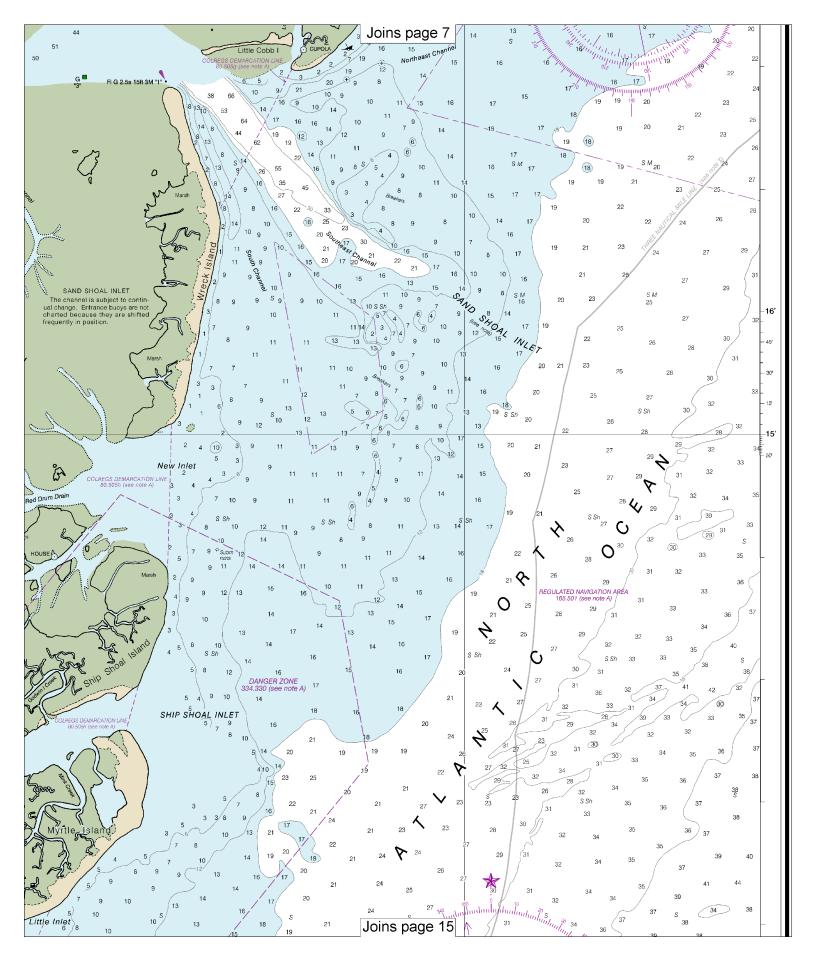


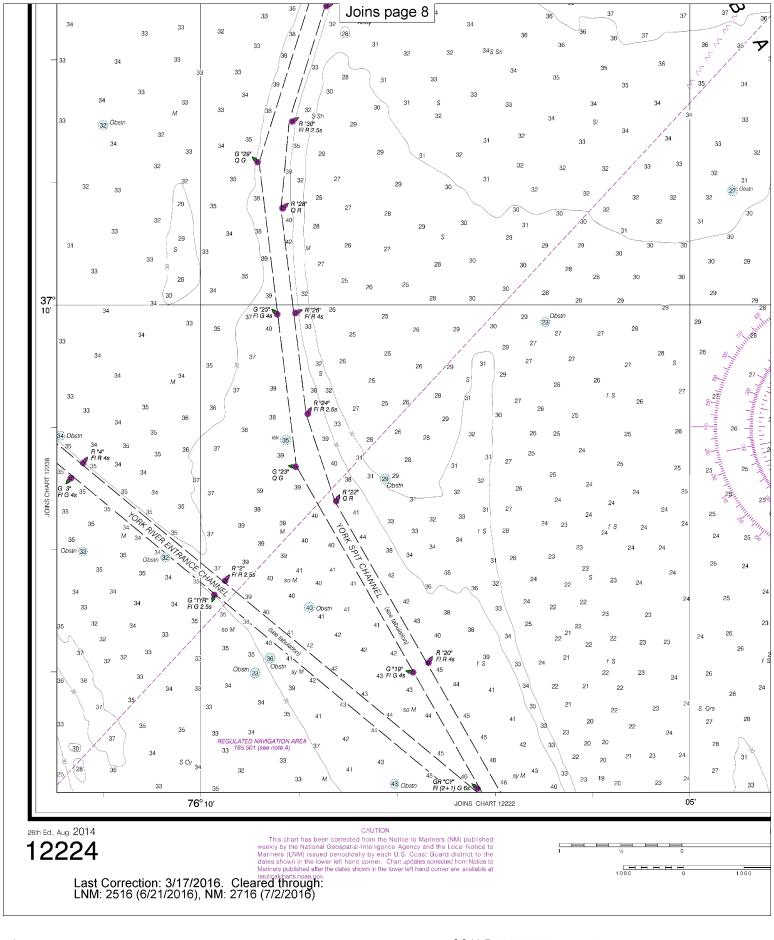




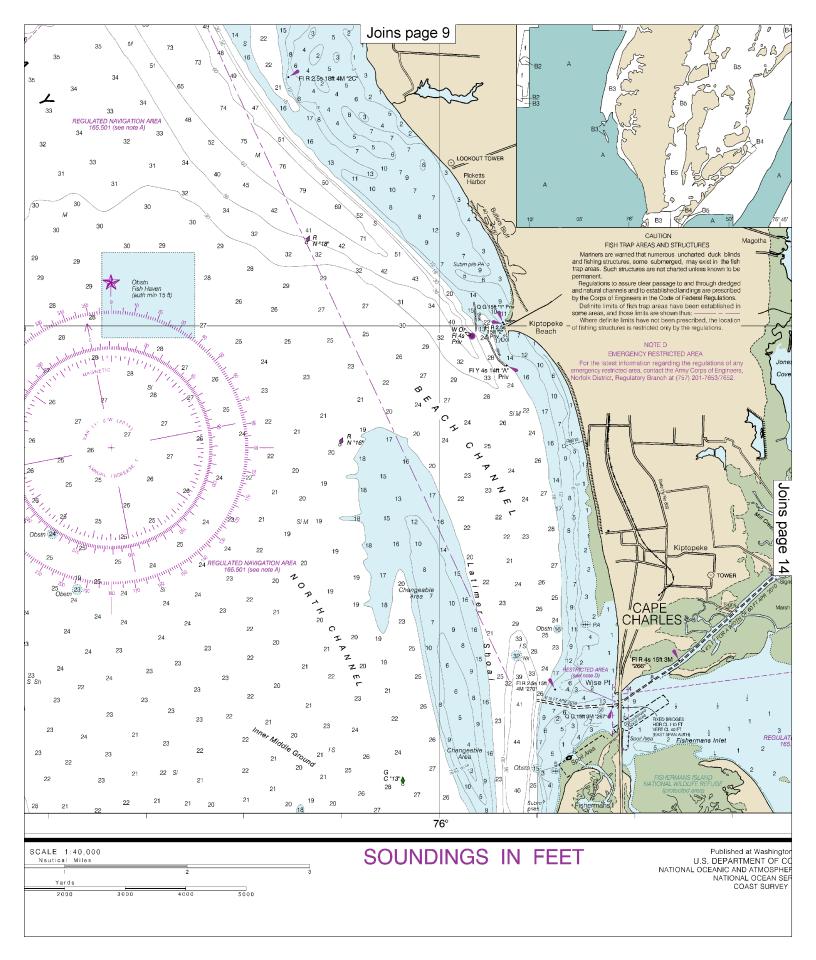


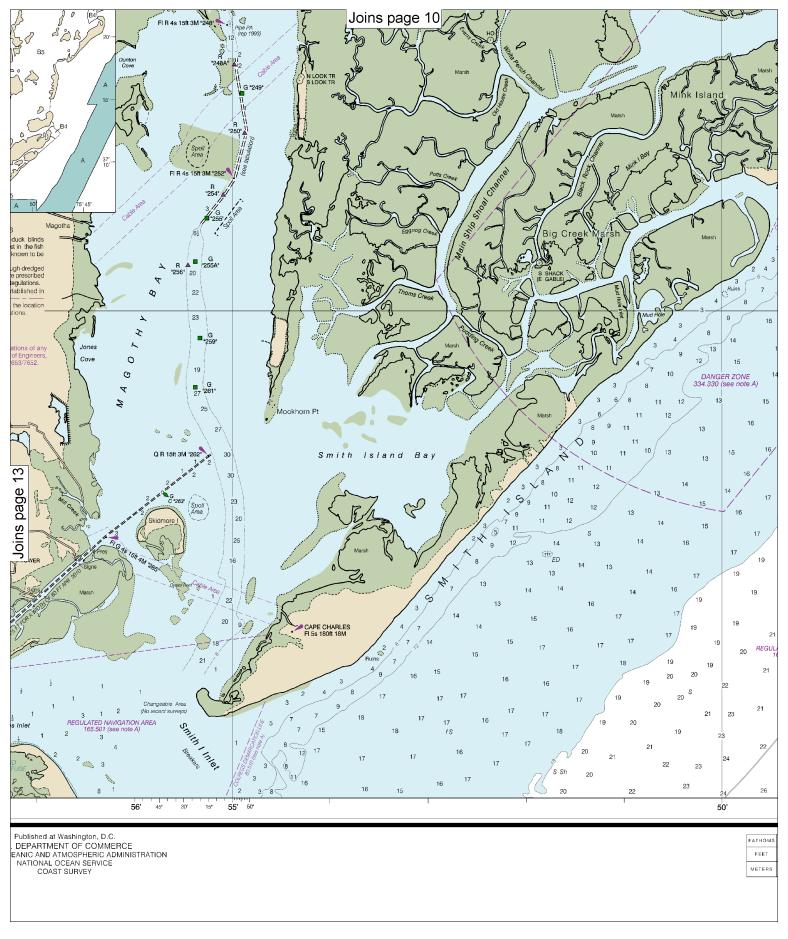
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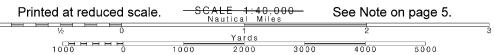


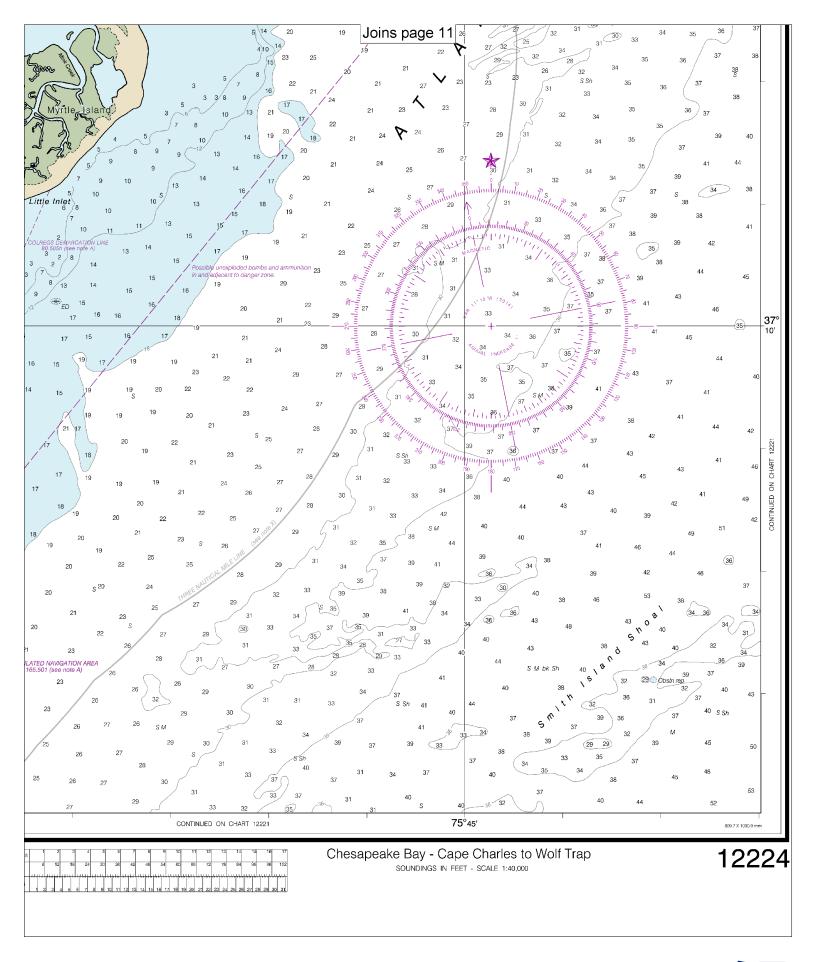














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Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.

Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other

vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here. Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 and 78A – Recreational boat channels.

Getting and Giving Help — Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

Distress Call Procedures

- Make sure radio is on.
- Select Channel 16.
- Press/Hold the transmit button.
- Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of

Emergency; Number of People on Board.

- · Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS!



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